



City of Redmond Planning Commission

March 29, 2006 Meeting Summary

Planning Commissioners in Attendance:

Charlie McCarthy, Korby Parnell, Sue Petitpas, Tom Hinman

Staff and Guests in Attendance:

Lori Peckol, Sarah Stiteler, and Kim Dietz, Redmond Planning Department.

Business Conducted:

Commissioner Petitpas called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. once the Planning Commission reached quorum.

The Commissioners approved the agenda and meeting summary for March 22, 2006. Commissioners Kumar, Snodgrass and Querry were excused.

Under Items from the Audience, Sue Stewart, Hank Margeson and Tim McGraff spoke in support of extension of 183rd Avenue NE to NE 116th Street. The following citizens spoke regarding the North Redmond Neighborhood Plan update: Reed Probst, Jai Patel, Rajah Noori, Connie Deaton, Jerry Rippeteau, Raj Shatman, and Jim Johnson. Among the comments were opposition to any additional retail in the neighborhood and a description of what residents like about the neighborhood.

Commissioner Petitpas opened the study session on the North Redmond Neighborhood Plan update and led the discussion. Kim Dietz and Sarah Stiteler, Senior Planners, presented information related to extension of 183rd Avenue NE. The Commissioners discussed this issue and in light of the additional information presented, unanimously supported the extension while also emphasizing that the extension needs to be safe for all modes of travel: vehicle, pedestrian and bicyclists. The Commissioners agreed that this decision closed the issue for both the North Redmond and Education Hill neighborhood plans.

The Commissioners then discussed and closed Issue 9, supporting the opportunity for components of multi-purpose trails to be split between the two sides of a street, while also noting that if there are no native trees adjacent to the soft surface trail, native plantings should be added.

The Commissioners then continued their discussion of the potential for additional neighborhood commercial opportunities in the neighborhood. Following discussion, the Commissioners agreed to support using Option A as proposed by staff as the base and asked Ms. Dietz to provide more information on:

- How the public spaces (both the structure and the open space) could be reasonably maintained over the long term.
- How Live-Work (Option B) ideas might be incorporated into Option A to increase the commercial presence.
- Whether King County Library might be interested in establishing a presence at the site?

The Commissioners agreed to continue the meeting to 10:15 pm. Regarding scheduling, the Commission agreed to meet on April 5th at 8 pm to complete their recommendation on the North Redmond Neighborhood Plan update.

Commissioner Petitpas adjourned the meeting at 10:15 pm.